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In re Application of: ) Confirmation No.: 1923  
Kazuhisa MUKAI et al )  
Appln. No.: 10/523,920 ) Art Unit:  
Filing Date: July 7, 2003 ) Examiner:  
371(c) Date: February 7, 2005 )  
For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING ) May 13, 2005  
2-O- $\alpha$ -D-GLUCOPYRANOSYL-L- )  
ASCORBIC ACID

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

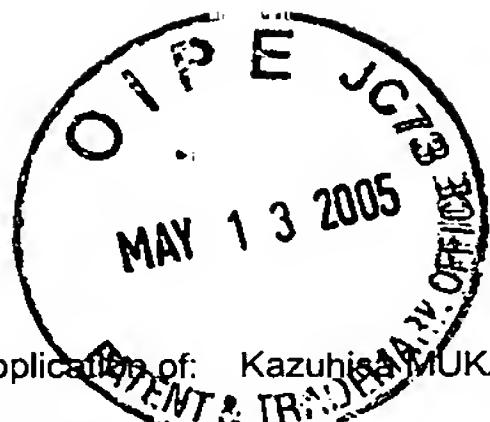
Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Customer Service Window  
Randolph Building, Mail Stop Amendment  
401 Dulany Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page of this paper.



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Transmitted herewith is a [XX] PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT in the above-identified application.

[ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted  
[ ] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.  
[XX] \* No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)
TOTAL	* 20	MINUS	** 20
INDEP.	* 1	MINUS	*** 3
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM			

ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL \$

SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
x 25	\$		x 50	\$
x 100	\$		x 200	\$
+ 180	\$		+ 360	\$
ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL			TOTAL	

OR

OR

\* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

\*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

\*\*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (total or independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment of the number of claims originally filed.

[XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

[XX] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

## Small Entity

## Response Filed Within

[ ] First - \$ 60.00  
[ ] Second - \$ 225.00  
[ ] Third - \$ 510.00  
[ ] Fourth - \$ 795.00

## Month After Time Period Set

[ ] Less fees (\$\_\_\_\_\_) already paid for \_\_\_\_ month(s) extension of time on \_\_\_\_\_.

## Other Than Small Entity

## Response Filed Within

[ ] First - \$ 120.00  
[ ] Second - \$ 450.00  
[ ] Third - \$ 1020.00  
[ ] Fourth - \$ 1,590.00

## Month After Time Period Set

[ ] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-4035 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

[ ] Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, is attached, authorizing payment in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

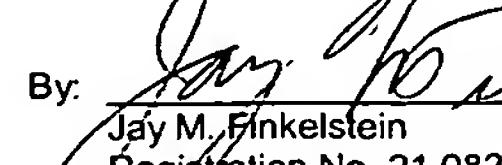
[ ] A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached (check no. ).

[XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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